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Applicant(s): Jeffrey SCHLOM et al. Confirmation No. 9401
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Title: AGONISTS AND ANTAGONIST PEPTIDES OF
CARCINOEMBRYONIC ANTIGEN (CEA)

Commissioner for Patents
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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

Sir:

Applicants herein respond to the final Office Action February 7, 2003. A Notice of Appeal was filed on July 3, 2003. Accordingly, a two-month extension of time is due, which applicants hereby petition for and provide the requisite fee. Please debit any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to firm deposit account no. 08-1641. Applicants request reconsideration and allowance in view of the following amendments and remarks.